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Our Case No. 10781/26

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )

Ioannis Pallikaris )

Serial No. 10/787,026 )

Filing Date: February 25, 2004 )

For DEVICE FOR SEPARATING THE )  
EPITHELIUM LAYER FROM THE )  
SURFACE OF THE CORNEA OF AN )  
EYE )

Examiner: Not yet assigned

Group Art Unit No. 3764

**PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.182**

Mail Stop Amendment  
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Notice of Omitted Items in Non-provisional Application mailed May 18, 2004. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.182, Applicants hereby Petition the Commissioner to enter Figures 9 and 10 which were missing from the above-captioned application as filed.

In support of this Petition:

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Applicants accept the date that such omitted items are filed in the USPTO as the filing date of the above-identified application. It is noted that this application is a continuation of U.S. patent application serial number 10/098,167, which is a CIP application of 09/911,356, both of which are pending. These applications properly included Figures 9 and 10 which were missing from the above-captioned application. A Preliminary Amendment that timely claims priority to these application accompanies this Petition.


A copy of the Declaration filed in the earlier application, which included Figures 9 and 10, is attached herewith.

A Submission of Drawing accompanies this Petition which supplies the two missing drawings.

A copy of the Notice is attached.

This Petition is accompanied by a check in the amount of \$130 to cover the petition fee set forth in C.F.R. § 1.17(h).

Respectfully submitted,

  
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